road have been carrying on an agitation. That is what I can say.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—By that expression 'interested', is it not people of the place interested in the work that have been carrying on the agitation?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—One or two individuals.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what approximately would be the cost of this road?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—I want notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—I am told that the so-called interested parties are prepared to put up a bund over the poramboke thodu. Will the Government be pleased to at least satisfy them for the present by putting up a reinforced concrete bridge over the poramboke thode?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—I have already answered the question the other day, that the Government will consider the putting up of a reinforced concrete bridge if the interested parties put up a bund?

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—If the bund is put up in the course of 1110 will the Government be pleased to give the reinforced concrete bridge this year itself?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—It is a hypothetical question, Sir. I will say this much. If they put up the bund, we will consider.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Who are these interested persons? Are they not interested in the road?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Yes. They are interested in the road.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there no necessity for a road there for the convenience of the people?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—What I submit is that it is in the interest of a few people.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Do you mean to say that this 38 percent of the students attending school do not want a road there?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Of course a road will be highly necessary. But they are not finding it very difficult now.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is not the proposed road expected to lie along the paddy field?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—It goes to the paddy field.

District Registrars—promotion to the Judicial Department.

127. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state what they have done in the matter of promotion of District Registrars to the Judicial Department since the last Makaram Session of the Council?

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Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government have been following the rules of service with regard to promotion in the Judicial Department. No Registrar has been promoted to the Judicial Department since Makaram last.

Road from Vyttila ferry to the Erur road—acquisition of lands for.

128. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the necessary lands have been acquired for the road leading from Vyttila ferry to the Erur road;

(b) if not, at what stage is it now ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(a) The acquisition proceedings are in progress.

(b)—The award will be passed soon.

Rubber cultivation in the State.

129. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(1) the total area under Rubber cultivation in the whole State;

(2) the total quantity of rubber that could be tapped from this area;

(3) the quantity of rubber allowed to be exported from the State?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—(1) 11,562·81 acres.

(2) 29,44 524 pounds from the area in the reserved forests; information regarding quantity that could be tapped from the area outside reserved forests is not available.

(3) As it stands, 6,40,157 pounds from the area in the reserved forests have been allowed to be exported. There is no information regarding the quantity allowed to be exported from the other areas.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Does this 11,562 and odd acres include the area cultivated outside the reserved forests?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—Yes.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know the percentage of the production that is allowed to be exported?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—I have not sufficient information concerning the quota. I understand that they have not now fixed any definite quota. But they have now provisionally fixed the quota at 36 per cent or 7/12 of the standard production for a period from June to December 1934.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—How does it compare with the percentage allowed outside our State?

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